FINANCE - BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Finance is the crossroads of economics, strategy and accounting, and the study of how firms and individuals allocate resources over time and under uncertain conditions. The finance curriculum provides a core foundation in corporate finance, investments, and financial institutions. The theory and concepts are then applied to problem-solving in a variety of areas including financial markets and institutions, corporate finance, international financial management, stock valuation and portfolio allocation, fixed-income markets, derivatives, risk management and insurance, and entrepreneurial finance.

Courses in the BBA in Finance are organized into four concentrations: Financial Analyst, Banking and Financial Planning, Risk Management and Insurance, and Entrepreneurial Finance. Students may pursue one or more concentrations. If a student chooses not to pursue a concentration, they may select four courses from any concentration or any BFIN prefix above BFIN 310.

Requirements

Completion of the courses listed below (including any prerequisites) with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 in these courses. At least twelve of the credits for the major must be completed at NMSU.

Students must complete all University degree requirements, which include: General Education requirements, Viewing a Wider World, Departmental/College Requirements, Electives, to bring the total credits to 120 credits with 48 credits in courses numbered 300 or above. Developmental coursework will not count towards the degree requirements and/or elective credits, but may be needed in order to take the necessary English and Mathematics coursework.

Prefix | Title | Credits
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General Education | Grades of C- or better are required in general education communications courses | 4
Area I: Communications | English Composition Level - I | 3
Choose one from the following: | ENGL 1110G | Composition I | 1
Choose one from the following: | ENGL 1110H | Composition I Honors | 1
Choose one from the following: | ENGL 1110M | Composition I Multilingual | 1
English Composition - Level 2 | ENGL 2210G | Professional & Technical Communication | 3
Oral Communication | Choose one from the following: | 3
Choose one from the following: | AXED 2120G | Effective Leadership and Communication in Agriculture | 1
Choose one from the following: | COMM 1115G | Introduction to Communication | 1
Choose one from the following: | COMM 1130G | Public Speaking | 1
Choose one from the following: | HNRS 2175G | Introduction to Communications Honors | 1
Area II: Mathematics | MATH 1220G | College Algebra | 3
Area III/IV: Laboratory Sciences and Social/Behavioral Sciences | Area III: Laboratory Sciences | 4
Grades of C- or better are required in ECON 2110G and ECON 2120G. | ECON 2110G | Macroeconomic Principles | 3
ECON 2120G | Microeconomics Principles | 3
Area V: Humanities | Microeconomics Principles | 3
Area VI: Creative and Fine Arts | Microeconomics Principles | 3
General Education Elective | Microeconomics Principles | 3
Viewing A Wider World | Microeconomics Principles | 6
Department/College Requirements
Foundation Requirements
MATH 1430G | Applications of Calculus I | 3
Choose one from the following (grade of C- or better required): | If MATH 1350G is taken before MATH 1220G then the Statistics course will Satisfy the Area II Requirement for Gen.Ed and MATH 1220G must be taken as a foundation requirement 1
MATH 1350G | Introduction to Statistics | 3
A ST 311 | Statistical Applications | 3
Business Core: Lower Division (minimum grades of C- required)
ACCT 2110 | Principles of Accounting I | 3
ACCT 2120 | Principles of Accounting II | 3
BCIS 1110 | Introduction to Information Systems | 3
BUS 1110 | Intro to Business | 3
Business Core: Upper Division
BCIS 338 | Business Information Systems I | 3
BLAW 316 | Legal Environment of Business | 3
BFIN 341 | Financial Analysis and Markets | 3
MGMT 309 | Human Behavior in Organizations | 3
MGMT 449 | Strategic Management | 3
MKTG 303 | Principles of Marketing | 3
Choose one of the following: | 3
BCIS 485 | Enterprise Resource Planning | 3
MGMT 344 | Production and Operations Management | 3
MGMT 470 | Project Management in Organizations | 3
Upper division Economics or Applied Statistics elective from the following prefixes: A ST (excluding A ST 311), ECON | Upper Division Business Elective from the following prefixes: A ST, ACCT, B A, BCIS, BLAW, ECON, ENTR, BFIN, I B, MGMT, MKTG (excluding A ST 311) | 3
Major Courses
BFIN 355 | Investments | 3
BFIN 360 | Financial Information Technology | 3
BFIN 385 | Analysis of Financial Markets and Institutions | 3
BFIN 406 | Theory of Financial Decisions | 3
Twelve credits from:
A declared concentration 4 or
Four courses from any BFIN prefix above BFIN 310 or from any concentration below, for students not wishing to declare a concentration
Second Language: (not required)
Electives, to bring the total credits to 120 5
Total Credits | 13
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1 Students may be required to take MATH 1215 Intermediate Algebra, depending on their math placement. MATH 1220G College Algebra or MATH 1430G Applications of Calculus I or MATH 1350G Introduction to Statistics fulfills the general education requirement in Math.
2 See the General Education section of the catalog for a full list of courses.
3 See the Viewing a Wider World section of the catalog for a full list of courses.
4 See the section of the catalog for a full list of concentrations.
5 Students must complete 120 credits with 48 credits in courses numbered 300 or above.
For more information on concentrations see the pages below:
- Banking and Financial Planning
- Entrepreneurial Finance
- Financial Analyst
- Risk Management and Insurance

Elective credit may vary based on prerequisites, dual credit, AP credit, double majors, and/or minor coursework. The amount indicated in the requirements list is the amount needed to bring the total to 120 credits and may appear in variable form based on the degree. However students may end up needing to complete more or less on a case-by-case basis and students should discuss elective requirements with their advisor.

Every candidate for this major must fulfill the general education common core, College of Business foundation and business core, Viewing a Wider World requirements and general electives, in addition to the requirement for the major. Given below is a suggested study plan for a student pursuing a Finance major. If a student chooses to pursue one or more than one concentration, they should choose the electives that pertain to the concentration. If students choose not to pursue a concentration, they may take courses from any concentration or from any BFIN prefix above BFIN 310.

A Suggested Plan of Study for Students

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